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## **Suspicious Death Investigation Ruled Suicide**

**SOUTH JORDAN, UT** – At 6:08 AM Monday, April 20, 2020, South Jordan Police responded to a residence on the 10200 S block of Jordan Creek Road on the report of a domestic violence call. Information was a male and female were arguing and the female party was armed with a handgun, at which time the male party was helped out of the resident by responding officers. At that time it was determined no crime had occurred.

However, officers remained on scene and attempted contact with Ashley Sorenson, age 35 from the Park City area, by phone but were never able to reach her. At 9:40 AM, a friend was contacted by the male party to check on Ashley. The friend entered the home and found her deceased.

After investigators from the South Jordan Police Department and the Utah Medical Examiner's Office processed the scene and attended Ashley's autopsy, it has been preliminary determined Ashley's death was a suicide.

"We appreciate the patience of the media and the residents of South Jordan while we processed this scene. We ensured a full and complete investigation was conducted for the benefit of all parties involved. In this case it was determined Ms. Sorenson took her own life," Sergeant Samuel Winkler, South Jordan Police Department.

"During our Stay Safe, Stay Home campaign in Utah, we have seen an increase in domestic violence calls and calls where a person is in mental health crisis. Please reach out to available resources if you find yourself or someone you love in crisis."

Utah Domestic Violence Hotline – 1-800-897-5465 Utah Community Crisis Response Team – 801-587-3000 National Suicide Prevention Line – 1-800-273-8255

For additional information, please contact the South Jordan Police Department at 801-254-4708.

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